

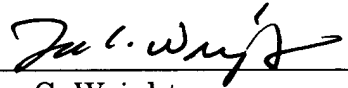
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
Divisional of Appln. No. 09/322,978

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Additionally, filed concurrently herewith is a sworn translation of the foreign  
priority document.

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**APPENDIX**

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**The specification is changed as follows:**

**Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:**

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/322,978 filed June 1, 1999, allowed; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

**Page 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, is changed as follows:**

Positive photoresist compositions comprising an alkali-soluble resin and a quinonediazide ester have been satisfactorily applied in [practical to] practice for the production of semiconductor devices and liquid-crystal display devices, since they have excellent definition, sensitivity and etching resistance.

**The paragraph bridging pages 8-9 is changed as follows:**

FIG. 1 illustrates a developing process and locations for the evaluation of sensitivity on resist [patters] patterns in the examples of the invention;

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Claim 5 is canceled.**

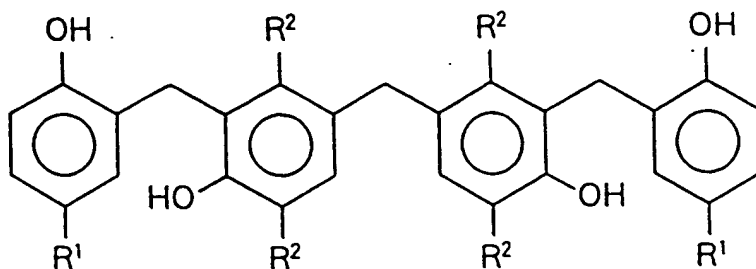
**The claims are amended as follows:**

1 (Amended). A positive photoresist composition comprising

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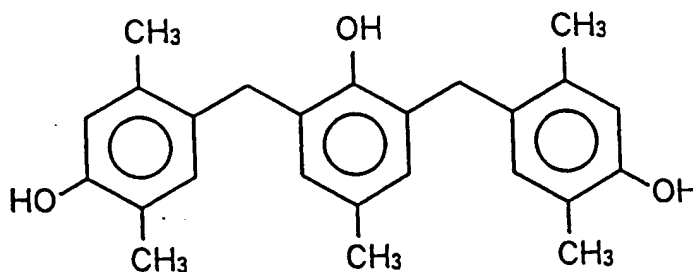
(A) an alkali soluble resin,

(B) a photosensitizer containing a quinonediazide ester of a compound of the following formula (I):



wherein each of R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> is independently a methyl group or an ethyl group, and

(C) at least one compound of phenol group-containing compounds having structural formula (C1) and having an elution time in the range from 6 to 30 minutes in high performance liquid chromatography, said high performance liquid chromatography being conducted under the following conditions:  
eluent: a mixed solvent of water:tetrahydrofuran:methanol = 40:24:36 (by weight);  
column: 4.6 mm (diameter) x 150 mm (length) containing 5  $\mu$ m silica gel as a filler (carbon content being about 15%); column temperature: 45.0°C; and supply rate of eluent: 0.700 ml/min



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Claims 7-<sup>20</sup>~~21~~ are added as new claims.

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